

Definition of Key Words In The New Testament

Introduction:

The purpose of this teaching is to enable us as brothers and sisters in Christ to walk a fuller life in grace apart from law and the works of the flesh. It will help us to be under grace and not the law! Jesus has given me about 20 key words spoken often in the New Testament that are profitable for us to fully understand. Let me make an important statement about the word “law” in the bible. In the New Testament wherever the words “the law” are printed the word “the” is not in the original Greek. So when Paul is speaking about “law” he is not only referencing Old testament law but any form of law or legalistic activity as a way to try and please God. I am not against the law, as Paul says it’s righteous and good but it is not our way to God, Jesus the perfect fulfiller of it is. I also don’t teach “eternal security” as such but I do teach the sufficiency of Christ. God will complete the good work that He has begun in you. This teaching is meant to encourage and strengthen our hope in Christ. It reveals and establishes a lot of hope. Our faith is the substance (foundation) of things hoped for, so if the hope revealed in this teaching is new to you it will build up your faith in what God is doing in the earth today and has been doing since Christ Jesus and the introduction of the New Covenant. It can help us all to walk together in this all so powerful grace so often spoken of by God. As a christian growing up mostly in the Pentecostal arm of the church, the true doctrine of Christ, or better yet the Apostles teaching was never revealed to me. It was always do do do, don’t, don’t, don’t, law, law law, works, works, works. There never seemed to be a place of rest or peace, just constant work and a constant war against the flesh. I could never measure up to the lawful decrees. None of us can. The Bible states so. But never having been taught the Doctrine of Christ, the new better way by the inner working of grace, I lived on for years in frustration and anger, never measuring up. Some of you know exactly what I’m talking about. Many times it seemed that the longer and louder one spoke in tongues somehow was supposed to prove how spiritual you were. Even though we failed so at the rules this activity we figured must be pleasing to God. But we are told that 5 words of understanding has so more power behind them than ten thousand words in a tongue not understood. It is understanding what the gift (Christ) is saying in us and through us that is the key to grace having its full effect in and among us. It is now God (Christ) who is at work in you (grace), both to will and to work for His good pleasure. I am not against tongues but let’s endeavor to have an interpretation so the activity of Christ (grace) can be understood and can build us up. God now desires and has made a way for us as living sacrifices not dead sacrifices, to express the gift of Christ that he has given. In exercising this gift towards one another love is expressed, the needs of the Saints are contributed to, and the manifold grace of God is experienced. In this way we are truly serving the Lord. And we are changed from within, Gods word being written on these tablets of human hearts, this graceful ministry of life bringing forth the new life in us!

So let’s get started:

Glory; 1391; very apparent 1 Cor 1:29 as a negative Hebrews 1:3 and 3:3 demonstrating the preeminence of Christ

Mystery of God; Christ in you the hope of glory. See Colossians Chapter 1: 25-29 2:1-8 and Ephesians 1: 7-10

Fellowship of the mystery; the expression of this mystery of God in a people gathered together. See Ephesians Chapter 3: 1-10

A large part of the New Testament is always pointing us to this mystery and the fellowship of it which is the lively activity of grace (Christ). It is how God has chosen to express Himself in this age and to bring about the completed work of the cross to the earth. It is God Himself revealed in the earth for our benefit. I am speaking of these earthen temples.

Holy Spirit; Spirit of God, the very life and nature of God demonstrated and revealed to us in Christ. It is the treasure that we carry in these earthen vessels. It is the loving and precious gift of God. It is this life and nature that we have received that is also given as a pledge of our inheritance.

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Grace; charis 5485 from 5463

5463: a primary verb to be cheerful, calmly well off.

5485: *The divine influence upon the heart manifest in the life.* In receiving and understanding the doctrine of Christ, the apostles teaching, we are encouraged and enabled to cease from our own works and enter God's rest where the activity of grace is found. See John 6:28-29 Romans 4: 4-5. This allows us to begin to experience a cheerful calmness apart from the works of our flesh trying to please God. This place of rest allows us to begin to reap the resulting work of Grace. **See Hebrews Chapter 4:16.** This throne (place of power) spoken of is within each and every one of us who are children of God. No sacrifice is needed to come to it, no priest required but It desires us to approach It from a place of faith working rest in us. It is from this place of rest that grace has it's full and mighty effect. What the law was powerless to do God Himself now is doing through the indwelling gift of Christ. Ceasing from our work enables God to work in us. He is not competing with our fleshly deeds.

*** Remember this description "**The divine influence upon the heart manifest in the life**" every time you see grace in the word. It's not just some unmerited favor or mystical power but a real power upon a heart to a righteous life beyond our own efforts (works). The basis for this power is in the new life that we have received, Christ in us, the very life and nature of God. It's the treasure, gift, seed of God that we hold in these earthen vessels. See 1 Cor. 4:7 Gal 2:20 Phil. 2:13. God has made a way for us to escape the curse and prison of the law and live at peace with Him as citizens of heaven. Born into bondage under the law but now set free by God Himself. God's work towards the world in this new covenant was fully demonstrated and summed up in Christ Jesus. Grace enables us to live and walk in a place of cheerfulness and wonderful rest where we are enabled to be a positive benefit to one another. It is only from this life and through this life that we are able to please God.

See Romans 11: 34-36. This scripture in Romans is a great example of why we need the indwelling life of Christ and the activity of grace. The activity of grace will always be profitable to us and pleasing to God. It is this activity of Christ that comes from Him, and through Him and goes back to Him. Apart from this activity of Christ in this New covenant we have nothing to offer Him. All our religious works and fleshly deeds "pay back" are as filthy rags before Him. So how do we give back to Him you may ask? It is very simple and revealed by the Apostles in their new testament teachings and writings. By putting the gift to work. It is the mystery of God revealed. When we are devoted to one another in brotherly love expressing the graceful activity of Christ, the needs of the saints is contributed to. This is the fellowship of the mystery. Does God dwell in us or not? He does! In giving to one another that which He has given to us we are giving back to Him. Christ is the acceptable sacrifice! What wonderful love God has demonstrated towards us even while we were still sinners. Therefore the only thing that he desires from us is a living temple, the dwelling place of Christ. And praise God, it's a living temple not a burnt sacrifice. And in the exercising of the gift we joyfully find ourselves serving the Lord and having an understanding of the good, acceptable, and perfect will of God for the moment. God's will is revealed in the appearing of Christ.

2 Cor 3: 4-6. Paul fully understood this work of Christ in us. This is why he was so upset over the dogs, the mutilators of the flesh and those brothers and sisters who turned back to law in order to try and please God. See Galatians 1: 6-7. More on grace will be understood below in the teaching about Christ, the anointed one.

Word logos 3056; something said, by implication a topic already written

Word rehma 4487; see Hebrews 1:3 an utterance, to speak or say, for us we hope by way of God's influence.

It is this Rehma word that is such an important part of our hope. It is clear in 1Cor 14 that the end of tongues is prophesy. Words spoken by the Gift, fully understood and settled onto our hearts. Sounds like the operation of grace to me, one to another. See 1 Peter 4: 9-11

Christ: 5547 Anointed: comes from 5548 which is akin to 5530

5530 to furnish what is needed, to act towards one in a given manner

5548 Through the idea of contact to consecrate to an office or religious service

Consecrate: to make or declare sacred or holy, to set apart to devote to the service or worship of God

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In other words God's Spirit, His power, nature, and will, demonstrated and revealed in Christ, furnishes that which is needed in these earthen vessels. Our contact with Christ consecrates us to do God's will, be it to fulfill an office appointment or a religious service. This very same Spirit of God is what brought forth the manchild Jesus and empowered Him to do the perfect will of God. Not having been born of the earthly nature (Adam) but of God's Spirit (Christ) He was able to perfectly and completely ("it is finished it is done") fulfill His office and His service to God by way of the anointed Christ. It is Christ this very nature and power of God that is able to do in the earth what nothing else can accomplish. The action and provision of this new life is the difference between the two covenants. The manner in which God acted towards the world was fully demonstrated in the anointed Christ that brought forth the man Jesus who is the mediator of this new and better way. The life of Jesus empowered by Christ demonstrates for us the full lively hope and reality of the anointing of God towards us in Christ. It is an anchor for our souls when this hope is taken hold of as it takes hold of us. In God's act and contact with Mary He furnished her with the ability to be consecrated to do a religious service which was to birth forth Jesus the man. And this Jesus Christ would demonstrate to the whole world this new covenant of God. How exciting it is to know that we have received the same Spirit, who's goal is to bring forth the new man in us to demonstrate this same new covenant (the empowering work of grace (Christ) apart from law). This surely is the right way to demonstrate the love of God in Christ, the empowering work of grace. God in His love and grace has acted towards us in a manner that even the prophets of old spoke about. John says that the Law came through Moses but grace and truth were realized through Christ. The provision of God through Christ is the foundation of the new covenant. It is the mystery of God revealed, Christ in us the hope of glory (His appearing). To try and define God's work towards us in this new covenant in any other manner will fall short of the doctrine of Christ and the true teaching of the apostles. Any other way will frustrate or worse yet nullify the work of Christ (grace) and it will also frustrate us in the process. Paul as an Apostle of Christ knew fully the truth of this mystery and of the true doctrine of Christ and knew of the frustration of grace by any other way (law). So Christ and Christ alone is the anointed one. This is the very life and nature of God received at our conversion, it is the deposit guaranteeing our inheritance. This life is doing the work of God in us. It never tires, it never runs away at the first sign of trouble. It is forever with us. It is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure. The key to God's work consecrating us unto His service is to fully know and understand the doctrine of Christ and the mystery of God. It is God's will for us to know the riches of the glory of this mystery among the gentiles which has been hidden from not only generations but also from the ages. This is in order for us to reap the full benefit (riches) of the new life Christ (grace). This is what the apostles taught and why Paul had such a hard time with the mutilators of the flesh, the old testament priests. He fully understood the difference between law and grace. So should we! It is God's will for us to know this mystery, for in Christ we have received the fullness of Grace and Truth, grace upon grace. So together in the fellowship of this mystery we can reap the reward of Christ and not continually crucify our Lord Jesus Christ over and over. How do we do this? It is by trying to keep law of any kind instead of walking in Christ (grace) the new man. We must be on guard for law comes in very subtle ways to trick even the wisest of us. It even tried to trick Paul and Peter. We as the body of Christ should certainly not want to be tricked into Law for the final fruit of Law in the New Covenant is clearly stated by Paul in Galatians 2:20-21 and 5:1-4. This frustration of grace has a final result of being severed from Christ and therefore falling away from the activity of grace. This grace is fully revealed and demonstrated in Christ and Christ alone who is the anointed one of God. This is not a salvation issue for Christ does not run away at the first sign of trouble. God says that He would never leave us or forsake us, but one act, lawful living or even the attempt of it will certainly by the very words of God Himself separate us from the immediate fellowship of Christ and so we fall away from the affect of grace for grace is centered in Christ. But thanks be to God we can at any time change our minds, turn to Him, and grace continues it work. There's now no condemnation for us who are in Christ Jesus so we can be at peace with God. Turning back to Him is so easy. His desire is to continually demonstrate His nature through the anointed one and how blessed we are that He has chosen to do it through imperfect vessels. This treasure that we have is the power of God and His will shall be done for Christ did not die and rise in vain. He shall complete that which He has started. So together let's reap the benefit of grace through the anointed one.

Repentance; 3341; with or towards and to exercise the mind. A change of mind toward something.

Hence repentance is a **turning towards something not a turning from something** but its result is a turning from something. The difference is between works and grace. Works says you must turn away from sin but grace enables us to turn

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to God and in doing so that which was before us is now behind us. Grace is the power of God working in us enabling us to go where the flesh will never be able to take us.

Know eido 1492; (1 John 5:20) To know, as in revealed, understood in a mental capacity, to see, *I see what you're saying*.

Know-Knowledge; ginosko 1097; (1 John 5:20, John 10:14) to know, absolutely. *By way of experience*, intimacy. I know what you're saying I've been there.

Perfection 5051 from 5048 a consummator, a completer, finisher
see Hebrews 6:1 versus Hebrews 7:11 and Hebrews 7:18-19 Hebrews 4:16

The teaching (doctrine of Christ) brings us into the completed work of the cross. In Christ and Christ alone we stand complete. This consummation allows us to experience the work of grace (Christ) in us. It teaches us how to walk in the power of grace apart from law. The proper teaching of the doctrine of Christ awakens us to the fullness of Christ within us. Instead of being held captive in the earth (flesh) grace (Christ) is able to set us free in the new man apart from the old man Adam. We are not under law but under grace. May the full truth of that be known by each one of us. We either walk by the Spirit, the working of grace in our hearts or by law. And we know that walking by law will prevent the work of grace from having its affect. God will complete, finish the good work that He has begun in us. Apart from law, works, but from a place of peaceful rest He will do it!

The book of Hebrews and the book of Romans are the greatest testimony of law verses grace, the old covenant verses the new covenant. A scripture of many that I enjoy is Romans 8:1-4

Romans 8:1-4 Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death . For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, so that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Walking according to the Spirit is not by way of keeping rules and regulations (law) it is by allowing Christ the indwelling life (grace) to work upon our hearts so as to be manifest in our life (flesh). This is the way in which we walk according to the Spirit. Knowing now that the law, having been fulfilled in us through Christ frees us from the works of the flesh, we can rest and trust and allow God to do His will. Together then through the fellowship of the mystery we can in a very powerful way enjoy the work of the Spirit (grace) together and be pleasing to God.

Thank God we don't have to carry those heavy stone tablets around anymore, though some of us still try to. The Spirit's load is light. Jesus said "my yoke is easy my burden is light". It's so easy to be with Jesus. It's meant to be so joyful and restful. Remember the primary root word for grace is cheerfulness and calmly well off. This surely is being at peace with God! So getting saved and being taught that our perfection comes by way of Law or even some kind of religious activity is a very frustrating teaching to the flesh and to the Spirit. The Spirit becomes captive in these temples when we attempt, sometimes even with good intentions to do what only grace can do. Good intentions without right teaching doesn't cut it. Paul warns us of trying to reach this kind of perfection. Gal: 3:-3 Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?

Perfect 2005 (as a negative) (Gal 3:3); to fulfill further (or completely), to try and do in the flesh only that which God can do.

Perfect; 5046 from 5056; (Mat 5:48, Eph 4:13, Col 1:28, 1Cor. 14:20, Phil 3:15,)

5056 to set out for a definite point or goal, the point aimed at as a limit, the conclusion of a matter not the conclusion of the matter.

5046 complete (in various applications or states of labor, growth, mental and moral character, etc.) The completed state of a point or goal in 5056

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Perfect; 5047 (Phil 3:12 Hebrews 10:14); the state of completeness mental or morally, perfection, conclusion of *the* matter *Compare Phil 3:12 with Phil 3:15*

Come; 2064; (1John: 4: 2-3) to come or go, as an imperfect tense, which is an action that denotes an unfinished and continuing state in coincidence with another action. That other action is certainly meant by God to be the expression of the mystery (Christ) in fellowship. see 2 Co. 3 12-18 This is the fellowship of the mystery. To understand this coming is to know that we are in the presence of God now, this is the mystery, His appearing in a people is our hope and His. Jesus said that wherever two or more are gathered there I am. There is no work needed for this to happen, no preparation, no price to pay, no sacrifice needed. Allowing ourselves to know (edio) the doctrine of Christ makes it so easy to be with Him and each other because face to face and eye to eye is a way in which He comes and goes. Eph 1:18 says that we are **His inheritance!** Why? In order that we would be the vessel holding the treasure (Christ). 2 Corinthians. 4:7 “But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves”

Coming; 3952; To be near or at hand, often returning. 1 Thess. 2: 17-20

We are encouraged here and in Co 3:12-18 to allow ourselves to be face to face before one another. Paul so desired and expressed this to be better than to be away yet present in Spirit. He says that he was all the more eager and had a great desire to see their faces. Why? Because in the saints, face to face, was his hope of seeing the continuing coming of Christ Jesus. God is no farther from us than we are from ourselves. And in this appearing of Christ through the body the glory of the apostles teaching was ever so real and present. That’s why he says “are you not our (the Apostles) glory and joy at the present coming of Christ”.

This is very similar to 2 Cor 3:17-18 which we just read. Same man wrote both! So maybe instead of crying out, “Lord we want to see your face”, we should be all the more eager and desire (as the Apostles were with the Thessalonians) to see each others face where God is so near and at hand.

Come; 2240; (1 John 5:20) to arrive or to be present

Liberty; 1657 from 1658; (Gal 2:4, 5:1) freedom

1658: (John 8:32-33); unrestrained (to come and go at pleasure) i.e. (as a citizen) not a slave (whether free born or manumitted) exempt from obligation or liability)

1657: Freedom; total and complete from that which restrained us. Born now as a child of God by His love and mercy and fully set free!

Free; 1659 from 1658; (John 8:32)

Free 1658 (John 8:32-33); unrestrained (to come and go at pleasure) i.e. (as a citizen) not a slave (whether free born or manumitted) exempt from obligation or liability)

1659 to liberate i.e. to exempt from moral and ceremonial liability, to make free. *A more completed form of 1658*

John 8: 32: and you will know (**ginosko experience**) the truth, and the truth will make you free."

33: They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never yet been **enslaved** to anyone; how is it that You say, 'You will become free'?"

Also **Galatians 3: 22-23** “But the Scripture has shut up everyone under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. But before faith came, we were kept in custody under the law, being shut up to the faith which was later to be revealed”.

First of all God through Christ has opened the prison gates of the prison of law and sin. The law is no longer our custodian. Some of us have remained under the custody of the law and therefor still in the prison for so long that we have gotten used to it and are afraid to step out. But through your faith go ahead, take that step out it won't hurt you and there is something wonderful waiting for you, it's called an abundance of grace. Now that the gates are open and as faith born citizens of heaven we all are able to go about unrestrained and at pleasure. Now that we are out and about where do we go and to whom do we turn having

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been set free from this prison. We leave the prison-camp and turn to Jesus of course the mediator of a new covenant. **Hebrews 13: 8-14:** Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be carried away by **varied and strange teachings**; for it is good for the heart to be **strengthened by grace, not by foods, through which those who were so occupied were not benefited. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat.** For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy place by the high priest as an offering for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people through His own blood, suffered outside the gate. **So, let us go out to Him outside the camp**, bearing His reproach. For here we do not have a lasting city, but we are seeking the city which is to come.

We are no longer (Romans 6:14) under law but under grace. God is doing in us what the tablets on stone could never do. In Christ we are set free from the restraint and obligation of law. Makes me want to shout for joy, okay here goes.

Free 1659 to liberate i.e. to exempt from moral and ceremonial liability, to make free. ***A more completed form of 1658 by way of our ginosko experience with the one outside the camp.***

and you will know (*ginosko*) the truth, and the truth will make you free." *Our intimate experience with Jesus apart from law through grace is working an ever-increasing freedom for us. (For of His fullness have we have all received, and grace upon grace For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through (came by KJV) Jesus Christ (John 1 16-17)*

Confidence 3954; Boldly-Boldness; all outspokenness, by implication, an assurance.

1 John 2:28 Now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not shrink away from Him in shame at His coming.

Throne; 2362; a stately seat, by implication, a place of power.

Hebrews 4:16 Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the **throne of grace**, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.